

Biographical Sketch

Holly Gadbaw

Holly Gadbaw was appointed to the Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board in November 2002. From 1990 until her appointment, she was employed by the Washington State Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development (CTED), where she managed CTED's review of city and county comprehensive plans and development regulations adopted according to the Growth Management Act (GMA). At CTED, she also edited a series of publications on growth management implementation.

Holly also served on the Olympia City Council from 1982 to 2001, and a term as Mayor of Olympia. During her tenure on the Council, she played a leadership role in developing the city's nationally recognized recycling program, downtown revitalization efforts, and the city's required growth management plan and development regulations.

On the regional level, Holly served several terms as Chair of the Thurston Regional Planning Council and as President of the LOTT Wastewater Alliance. In those positions, she was instrumental in developing Thurston County's first urban growth management that preceded GMA (which was one of the first in the state), the Thurston Regional Transportation Plan, and an innovative regional 20-year wastewater management plan and governance agreement.

She is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and an A.I.C.P. certified planner. She resides in Olympia.